

Agencies Extend Public Comment Period For Draft EIS About Mountaintop Coal Mining

WASHINGTON D.C. -- Federal and state agencies have extended the comment period for public review of a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) that recommends new actions to protect Appalachian streams from effects associated with mountaintop coal mining.

The comment period was to close on January 6. It will now close 15 days later on January 21. Written comments may be submitted to Mr. John Forren, U.S. EPA (3EA30), 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 or e-mailed to EPA at mountaintop.r3@epa.gov <<mailto:mountaintop.r3@epa.gov>>

The agencies involved in the preparation of the draft EIS include the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Office of Surface Mining and West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection.